

<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 09/541,780	<b>Applicant(s)</b> NISHIMOTO, STEVE	
	<b>Examiner</b> Christopher E. Lee	<b>Art Unit</b> 2112	

**All Participants:**

(1) Christopher E. Lee (USPTO).

(2) Fred G. Pruner, Jr. (Reg. No. 40,779).

**Status of Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(4) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Date of Interview:** 14 September 2005

**Time:** 1:20pm (est)

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

**Rejection(s) discussed:**

*N/A*

**Claims discussed:**

*Claim 16*

**Prior art documents discussed:**

*None*

**Part II.**

**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

  
(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The Examiner informs that the Decision on Appeal states the claim 16 is reversed, which is dependent claim of the claim 15 affirmed by BPAI. Therefore, the Examiner proceeds the way of converting the dependent claim 16 into independent form with regard to MPEP 1214.06. The Applicant's representative Mr. Fred G. Pruner, Jr. (Reg. No. 40,779) agrees to convert the claim 16 into the independent form..